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Subject: RE: San Jacinto Proposed Plan Schedule Announcement

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Thanks, Rock for your comments.

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Gary,

Thank you for the courtesy of informing Harris County about the EPA's decision to undertake an independent review of site modelling and potential river/weather conditions with respect to the selection of a remedy for the San Jacinto River Waste Pits Superfund Site. The Harris County Attorney's Office's main priority is to ensure that the actions taken at the Site are fully informed and based upon data and analysis that is free from bias so that the health of our citizens and our environment are effectively protected.

In the past Harris County has expressed serious misgivings about the integrity of the work done by Anchor Integral in putting together the RI/FS. Our position in that regard has not changed and the County will continue to strive to insure that the cost-saving objectives of the PRPs do not distort the scientific findings and analyses of the data.

Harris County commends the EPA for its forthright and transparent manner in addressing the issues at the site and the announcement of an independent review insures this will continue. Once the reviewer has been chosen, Harris County respectfully requests it be made aware of the name and that we be provided with a scope of that review. We would welcome the opportunity to comment on any of the proposed changes to the RI/FS, as well as any other documentation that is submitted during the review. Furthermore, if appropriate, Harris County would be pleased to provide additional data for consideration.

It is imperative that the RI/FS and remedy alternatives be based on research and data that are independent and of the highest integrity. Harris County is extremely appreciative of the efforts made by the EPA to ensure that this happens.

Sincerely,

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Please see the attached announcement about the San Jacinto schedule & let me know if you have any questions on this.

Regards,

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